

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

The Concurrent Resolutions Concerning Foreign Mediation and Interference.

The Republic to Be Maintained One and Indivisible.

WASHINGTON, March 1, 1863.

THE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS ON FOREIGN MEDIATION.

The following are the proposed concurrent resolutions reported by Senator Sumner, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, to whom was referred the message of the President of the United States, communicating, in answer to the resolution of the Senate, the correspondence on the subject of mediation, arbitration or other measures looking to the termination of the present rebellion.

Whereas, it appears from the diplomatic correspondence submitted to Congress that a proposition, friendly in form, but having for its object the mediation of the Emperor of the French, and the Emperor of the United States, to the present rebellion, has been made to the United States by the Emperor of the French, and that the President of the United States, in answer to the resolution of the Senate, the correspondence on the subject of mediation, arbitration or other measures looking to the termination of the present rebellion.

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THE VALUABLE GOLD AND SILVER MINES OF NEVADA.

The Committee of Ways and Means, in their report accompanying their bill establishing a branch mint in Nevada Territory, say the discovery of the precious metals warrant the belief that in a few years it will be in that respect surpasses even the golden State. A population of some thirty thousand new people the Territory, and millions of dollars have been expended in prospecting and working the mines, erecting quartz mills, with massive revolving machinery and ingenious separating processes. Several thriving towns and numerous villages have sprung up. The great business of the Territory is and must be mining. The estimated yield of gold and silver at the present time is \$2,000,000 per month, with a constant prospect of an increase, as new machinery is put in operation. An additional reason for the establishment of a mint is the peculiar situation of the Territory and its dependence on distant markets, whence all its supplies are drawn. All the supplies of food, clothing, machinery, &c., are imported into the Territory. But little save the precious metals is produced in the Territory. Payment for these supplies and the necessary transportation is made in the Territory.

THE PAY OF SOLDIERS.

Senator Wilson's joint resolution relative to the payment of soldiers, submitted Friday, prescribes that laws shall be so construed that all enlisted men called into service since April 1, 1861, shall be allowed pay commencing from the date of individual enlistment, and commissioned officers from the time they were mustered into service, the date of entering on active duty in the field or date of organization of their respective companies, whichever of these dates may sooner occur. It also provides that no soldier can forfeit his right to bounty unless discharged by court martial by an order as a punishment, or in consequence of fraud on his part.

THE SENATE'S COMMITTEE ON THE AFFAIRS OF THE TERRITORIES.

The Senate's Committee on the Affairs of the Territories have given much attention recently to the affairs of Utah. They are now convinced that the Territorial Legislature, by the establishment of a probate court, with powers co-extensive with those of the United States district courts, frustrate all proper judicial proceedings. The federal Judge has forwarded a request to so define the duties of their court that no further trouble in future may occur.

PRESENTATION TO COLONEL COGSWELL.

Colonel Milton Cogswell, commanding the artillery brigade, has been presented with a splendid service of silver plate by the officers of the Second New York artillery. Colonel Cogswell has been distinguished for his gallantry, and was taken prisoner at Ball's Bluff. It is understood that he is upon the list for promotion as brigadier general.

RECOVERY OF SENATOR HALE.

Senator Hale is recovering from his recent severe and protracted illness.

GEN. WILSON'S OPINION OF THE WAR.

Senator Wilson, as Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, has of course superior knowledge about military matters. It is therefore a matter of interest to the country to know that he stated recently in debate that he had full belief that the country would conquer.

RESIGNATION OF GEN. JOHN COCHRANE.

His Labors for the Union to Be Transferred to Another Field.

WASHINGTON, March 1, 1863.

The resignation of General John Cochrane has been accepted by the President for reasons to himself stated. He designs in other fields to continue his support of the war or the Union. The officers of his brigade accompanied him to a body to the care at Palmdale, on his departure. The following is the substance of his statement:

HEADQUARTERS, FIRST BRIGADE, THIRD DIVISION, SIXTH CORPS, ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, Feb. 27, 1863.

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